GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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REVIEW OF DAMS FROM ENVIRONMENTAL ANGLE
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has constituted a Committee to undertake review of certain dams from the environment point of view;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the names of the dams and aspects thereof which are likely to be studied by the said Committee; and

(d) the time by which this Committee is likely to submit its report to the Government?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a)to (c) As per the information provided by the Ministry of Power, A High Level Expert Group has been constituted by M/s National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) Limited for examining the various technical issues involved in ensuring the required flow in the river Bhagirathi in view of the construction of Loharinag Pala Hydroelectric project in Uttarakhand by M/s NTPC Limited.

(e) The Expert Group,which was to submit its report within three months, has been granted extension of time till 18th December, 2008.